

Legislature, and I mean this very sincerely, as I mean all my other remarks, but this is even more sincere than the other remarks, my mother taught me to always be sincere whether you mean it or not, and it would be wrong for this Legislature to let eight years go by without our fully, fairly, and responsibly addressing the needs of the neediest people, of the neediest people in Nebraska, our children and our hapless economically depressed families. I have passed some charts out which give some indication of rural poverty. I am surprised at the growth of rural poverty. Obviously, poverty is not just an Omaha issue, not just a Lincoln issue, but it's statewide, and we have to address it. I ask your support in moving 518A to Select File.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You have heard the closing and the question is the advancement of the bill to E & R. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 1322 of the Legislative Journal.) 25 ayes, 17 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 518A.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 518A advances. The call is raised. Anything to read in, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Not at this time, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Then proceed to Item 9, LB 675.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 675 was a bill by Senator Chambers that was introduced in January of last year. (Read title.) The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee, Mr. President. It was considered in April of last year. On April 27 of last year, Senator McFarland had amendments that were adopted to the bill. Senator Schmit, Mr. President, had made a motion to indefinitely postpone the bill on January 8. That motion laid the bill over. Senator Schmit has been excused, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, and I think I had explained that to you the day that it was done, that was a friendly kill motion by Senator Schmit to lay it over, and he doesn't want to consider it. So should we pass over the bill because his motion is on it, or I can just proceed.